

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

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- ☐ State Law Change
- ☐ Federal Law Change
- ☐ Court Order or Settlement Agreement
- ☐ Clarification Requested by One or More Counties
- ☒ Initiated by SDSS

ALL-COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE NO. I-41-92

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: Update on the Refugee Cash Assistance (RCA) Program for
Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 1993REFERENCE: ACIN No. I-19-92 dated May 11, 1992 and ACL No. 92-65
dated June 29, 1992

The purpose of this Notice is to transmit to the County Welfare Departments recent information received from the Federal Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR) regarding the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 1993 budget.

Attached is ORR State Letter No. 92-18, dated June 25, 1992. This letter discusses the phase-out of the Refugee Cash Assistance (RCA) program at the end of the first FFY quarter and the possibility that the RCA time-eligibility period will be less than eight months beginning October 1, 1992.

If you have any questions, please contact your Program Operations Analyst at (916) 323-2131.

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Attachment

ORR State Letter

92-18

Date: June 25, 1992

TO: STATE REFUGEE COORDINATORS

FROM: Chris Gersten *Chris Gersten*
Director
Office of Refugee Resettlement

SUBJECT: Continuation of Refugee Cash and Medical Assistance
(RCA/RMA) Through First Quarter of FY 1993

This letter provides an update of the Office of Refugee Resettlement's (ORR) plans for the refugee cash and medical assistance (RCA/RMA) programs in FY 1993 and is a follow-up to ORR State letter #92-11.

We wish to alert States that, subject to Congressional action on ORR's FY 1993 appropriation, ORR intends to continue the RCA and RMA programs through the first quarter of FY 1993 and to begin the private resettlement program (PRP) on January 1, 1993. We must emphasize that our plans are contingent on the availability of funds, and any accompanying restrictions on those funds, that Congress appropriates for these programs.

We are currently exploring with States, through the ORR regional consultations, whether to gradually phase out time-eligible clients from RCA or establish a clear-cut transfer date for all time-eligible clients from RCA to the PRP. We will send you instructions on this issue at a later date.

We anticipate that the appropriation for the refugee program in FY 1993 will be substantially lower than FY 1992 and will be insufficient to sustain the current 8-month RCA/RMA eligibility period in FY 1993. We expect, therefore, to issue a final rule for an RCA/RMA eligibility period for less than 8 months based on the amount appropriated by Congress as soon as the FY 1993 ORR appropriation is passed.

If you have any questions about this letter, please contact Toyo Biddle, Policy Division, at (202) 401-9250, FAX (202) 401-4683.